

**Mass Intentions (30<sup>th</sup> July – 6<sup>th</sup> August)**

**Vigil 5pm:** +Ok-Bong Choi, Peter Deuk Jeon Kim, Dr James Sinclair; **Sun.:** 8am: +For Relief & Deliv. Holy Souls; 9.30am: Pro Populo; **Mon.+:; Tue.:** +Jose Luis Ferreyra; **Wed.:** +Deceased from Boland & Wilson Fs. ; **Thurs.** +Tony Arnold; **Fri.** +Peter Drewe. 6pm +Adrain Han : **Sat.:** 7.30am:+Julian & Alexandra;

Catholic news: The Catholic Thing, The Pillar; National Catholic Reporter; Spirit Daily; EWTN; Crux, L'Osservatore Romano Vatican News.  
**Pope Francis@Pontifex**

We acknowledge the Gweagal People, the traditional Custodians of this land.

**Daily Masses:** 7:30am **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday** (Saturday: Mass, Cenacle, Confession & Benediction); **Tuesday** 5:30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. **First Fridays** 5:30pm Devotions & 6pm Mass.

**Weekend Mass times: Saturday:** Vigil 5pm **Sunday:** 8am, 9:30am and **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.  
**Baptisms at 9:30 Mass.**  
Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.

St. Joseph's Como *cares* for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org).

**Our sick:** Helen Cramer, John Moore, Max McLeod, Philip Andrew Romanow, Sam Mercieca, Richard Davis, Victoria Stojanovic, Michele McQuillan, Vince Fernandez, Drago Mikan, Therese Dorff, Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Elizabeth Kinsela, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Elette Majdandzic; Dragica Furda, Mary Carmen Borg, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Urszula Kaminska, Josephine and Steven Marinilli, Nicholas Mircevski and all dear friends from Mildred Symons House.

**Next Catholic Mass on 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug. at 10.45am.**  
<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/COMOOYSTERBAY>  
**PARISH**

**ADDRESS OF JOHN PAUL II** *Alice Springs 29 November 1986* "...For thousands of years, you have lived in this land and fashioned a culture that endures to this day. And during all this time, the Spirit of God has been with you. Your "Dreaming", which influences your lives so strongly that, no matter what happens, you remain forever people of your culture, is your only way of touching the mystery of God's Spirit in you and in creation. You must keep your striving for God and hold on to it in your lives... Do not think that your gifts are worth so little that you should no longer bother to maintain them. Share them with each other and teach them to your children. Your songs, your stories, your paintings, your dances, your languages, must never be lost. Do you perhaps remember those words that Paul VI spoke to the aboriginal people during his visit to them in 1970? On that occasion, he said: "We know that you have a lifestyle proper to your own ethnic genius or culture – a culture which the Church respects and which she does not in any way ask you to renounce..."

"...Some people see the world as a hostile place filled with spirits and forces antagonistic to them. People turn to their ancestors, gods and spirits for protection living in the rocks etc. The focus of the Christian life, in contrast, is the relationship believers have with God. God's relationship with humankind is based on grace and love. His laws are clearly revealed to us in the Holy Scriptures. When we disobey, we may suffer the consequences of our sin or experience His discipline, which is always motivated by His love and intended to bring us to a right relationship with Him. In times of difficulty, we do not fear His wrath but He invites us to draw even closer to Him. 1 Jn 4:16-18 says, "God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God and God in him. In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment because in this world we are like Him. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear . . ." Although believers encounter tragedy and suffering, we do not live in fear but in faith, trusting in the character of God."  
(ext. from The World of Animism – A Biblical Worldview Perspective. by Dr. Patrick Zukeran)

26 July, 6pm-8.30pm at Catholic Institute of Sydney. The subject of family and domestic violence. The link to the event registration page is <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/653360527927>

Sexual immorality is strongly condemned in the Bible. In the Old Testament, laws were given to the Israelites designed to discourage sexual immorality. These laws prohibited adultery and other forms of sexual misconduct, such as incest and rape. In the New Testament, Jesus taught that all sexual relationships outside of marriage are immoral. He also taught that lusting after someone is just as sinful as the act itself. The Bible makes it clear that God expects us to remain sexually pure and faithful to our spouses. God's plan for marriage is beautiful, and He wants us to honour and protect it. If we do not, we risk damaging our relationships with both God and others. In the New Testament, "sexual immorality" is most frequently translated as *porneia*, which means "a surrendering of sexual purity," and is mostly used regarding premarital sexual relations. From this Greek word, we get the English word pornography, deriving from the idea of "selling off." Sexual immorality is essentially the "selling off" of sexual purity and involves sexual expression beyond the boundaries of a biblically defined marriage relationship (Mt 19:4-5). I don't wonder that the book "Welcome to Sex" vanished from the shelves...

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2<sup>nd</sup> coll. \$341  
P.G. \$430  
CWF \$100  
Holv. Fr's \$510

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Divine Renovation.



The WYD, 1- 6 August  
The Plenary Council: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)



Introduction to the Catholic Faith.



Youth Ignite Summit Sep. 2023.

Free plant vouchers from Sutherland Council would be greatly appreciated to help enhance the Church gardens. Drop into mailbox at any time or to the Parish office during office hours. 🌱 🌿

Fr. G. Murray on the upcoming Synod in Rome and the Eucharistic Revival.



Next year, our Parish and School will turn 70 years old. We might start to plan for such special event now. We are invited to make a pilgrimage to Rome or Holy Land.

Youtube-daily Mass: stjosephcomo

An online course for learning how to manage fertility naturally in context of the Catholic faith. From 19 July - 31 August you can register for the course at 50% off. Use **NFPWEEK** coupon code to claim your discount. [www.smartloving.org/fertility](http://www.smartloving.org/fertility)